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Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development

**Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)** 

**Grant Recipient: Anchorage** 

**Project Title:** 

## Anchorage - Oceanview Elementary iMac Computers and Related Software

State Funding Requested: \$ 15,000 House District: 31 - P

Future Funding May Be Requested

#### **Brief Project Description:**

Purchase and installation of iMacs Computers and related Software and hardware to update School Computer Lab

**Funding Plan:** 

Total Cost of Project: \$15,000

<u>Funding Secured</u> <u>Other Pending Requests</u> <u>Anticipated Future Need</u>

Amount FY Amount FY Amount FY

There is no other funding needed

## **Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Requested \$15,000 in funds will be used in tandem with other funding to help purchase new imac Computers and related Software and hardware to revamp the Oceanview Computer Lab. Oceanview Elementary School has a very dated computer lab that are running with only 30 computers. Currently 15 of the older computers are incapable of running the latest software and the 15 "newer" computers are borrowed from teachers teachers and are rapidly becoming outdated.

How will this project meet Anchorage School District program goals?:

Students need access to current technology and software in order to meet Alaska Standards in Technology as well as utilizing the lab for research, writing projects, and develop skills for the 21st Century.

What will be the benefits of this project if completed? Impacts if not completed?:

Students need an updated computer lab to word process, research on the internet and prepare projects in various formats (i.e. Power Point). The new lab can also be used for our Fast Forward reading program to impact more non-proficient students in reading intervention to comply with No Child Left Behind. The current lab cannot support Fast Forward software.

If not completed, our lab continues to age and can only be used for keyboarding practice and the students of WL Bowman will not get the technology skills they will need to survive in school or life. Non-proficient readers cannot get the additional support they could with a functional lab.

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Purchase and installation finished FY09. Capital Funding will be expended in FY09.

### **Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:**

**Anchorage School District** 

#### **Grant Recipient Contact Information:**

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? X Yes No

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# Oceanview Elementary School

Attention:

Representative Craig Johnson Representative Bob Lynn

Dear Representatives Johnson and Lynn,

I am writing to request capital equipment funding of \$20,000 for Ocean View Elementary. These funds will be used upgrade the computer lab at the school. Currently, the computer lab is pieced together and consists of the following:

- 15 old Mac computers that are not currently functional because they are incapable of running today's software
- 15 "newer" machines, which have been "borrowed" from classroom teachers

This is a problem that must be remedied in order for the students and teachers to have a true learning experience in the computer lab. Since all classes significantly exceed 15 students, currently they cannot all have access to an operable computer while in the lab. Even the 15 "newer" machines require significant instructor time to keep up and running, which further detracts from the time that can be spent in meaningful instruction.

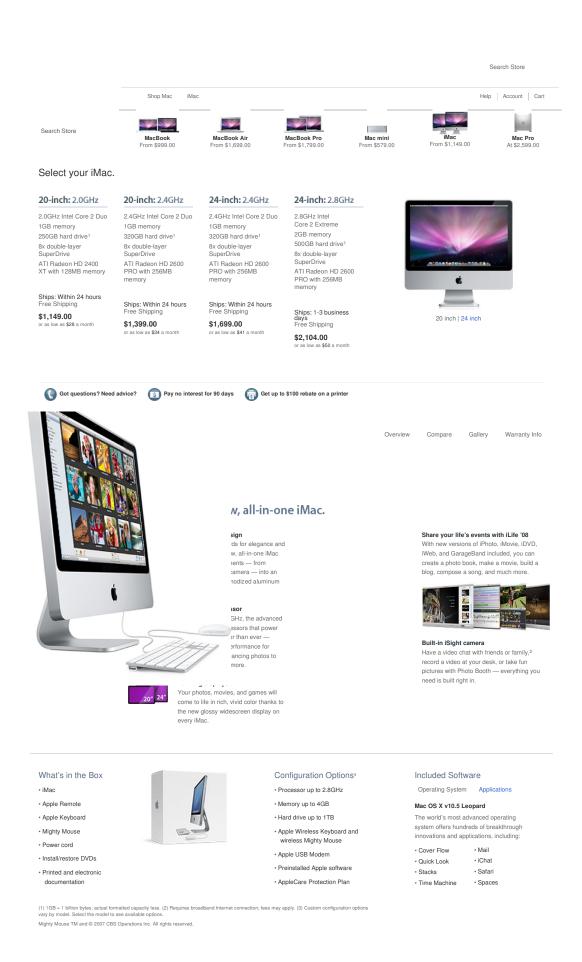
In a perfect world, we would be able to furnish the lab with 30 new iMac computers AND replace the 15 "newer" machines currently being "borrowed" from teachers in order to bring all the teachers current on technology for their classroom use as well.

Anything you can do to help us fund a solution to this technology dilemma would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your genuine interest in our local school!

Sincerely.

Rick Steele

Ocean View PTA President



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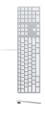


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